

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Court Room
7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740
May 3, 2009

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:35 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland

Absent: Councilor Shananaquet

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Assistant General Counsel Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, General Counsel James Bransky, Chief Financial Officer Valerie Tweedie, Gaming Board of Director Chairperson Carol McFall, Gaming Board of Directors Judy Pierzynowski, Fred Kiogima and Sheran Patton, Casino Operations Manager Barry Laughlin, Casino General Manager Sean Barnard, Casino Human Resource Director Denise White, Casino Scott Canady, Casino Table Games Director Susan Foster, Casino Mike Bodjiak, Gaming Board of Directors Office Manager Cathy Portman,

Judicial Officials Present: none

Guests: Ken Harrington, Marty VanDeCar

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt the agenda for May 3, 2009 with additions.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

9:44 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve the minutes of April 19, 2009 with corrections.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

1 Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to ratify
2 into the record the phone poll dated April 23, 2009: To Approve "NEXT STEPS"
3 outlined in Confidential Memo 042309 submitted to Tribal Council from Donna L.
4 Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney dated April 22, 2009 to meet immediate
5 deadlines. The phone poll passed.

6 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

7 Motion carried.

8 Tribal Elder Comments: no comments at this time.

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10 9:54 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor
11 Mulholland to go into closed session proprietary and legal.

12 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

13 Motion carried.

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15 10:53 a.m. Recess called.

16 11:03 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

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18 11:52 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor
19 Yellowbank to return to open session.

20 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

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22 11:55 a.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

23 11:56 a.m. Public Comment closed.

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25 Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr.,
26 to authorize an engagement letter for services with Fredericks, Peebles &
27 Morgan LLP to represent Tribal Council and authorize the Tribal Chairman
28 through his administrative oversight authority to sign an engagement letter for
29 services with Fredericks, Peebles and Morgan LLP.

30 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

31 Motion carried.

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33 12:00 p.m. Lunch recess called.

34 1:33 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

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36 Gaming Board of Directors, GM and the Casino Directors to Discuss the
37 Quarterly Business Plans and a Financial Update.

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39 2:22 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer
40 Chingwa to go into closed session for confidential business.

41 Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor
42 McNamara)

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44 2:42 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer
45 Chingwa to return to open session.

46 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

47 Motion carried.

1 2:50 p.m. Recess called.

2 2:53 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

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4 3:03 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

5 3:03 p.m. Public Comment closed.

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7 Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to
8 accept Legislative Leader Law's verbal and written report for May 3, 2009 with
9 confidential items contained therein.

10 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

11 Motion carried.

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13 Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Kiogima to
14 accept Treasurer Chingwa's Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal
15 Chairman report for May 3, 2009.

16 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

17 Motion carried.

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19 Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to
20 accept the Land and Reservation Committee Chairman Kiogima's verbal report
21 for May 3, 2009.

22 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

23 Motion carried.

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25 Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to
26 accept Councilor Harrington, Jr.'s verbal Tribal Council member report regarding
27 Bay Mills Board of Regents for May 3, 2009.

28 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

29 Motion carried.

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31 Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco
32 Bentley to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written
33 report for May 3, 2009.

34 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

35 Motion carried.

36
37 Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to
38 pass the Education Appeals Board Statute.

39 Roll Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-no, Councilor McNamara-
40 yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor
41 Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes,
42 Legislative Leader Law-yes

43 Motion carried.

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45 4:02 p.m. Recess called.

46 4:09 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

1 Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to
2 pass the Gaming Delegation and Authority Statute.

3 Roll Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-
4 yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor
5 Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes,
6 Legislative Leader Law-yes

7 Motion carried.

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9 Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to
10 pass the Child Welfare Commission Statute.

11 Roll Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-
12 yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor
13 Yellowbank-no, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative
14 Leader Law-yes

15 Motion carried.

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17 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa
18 to disapprove the Natural Resource Commission Regulations for Licensing and
19 Permits.

20 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

21 Motion carried.

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23 Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to
24 post the Legislative calendar Tribal Citizen and North American Indian
25 Preference in Tribal Employment.

26 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

27 Motion carried.

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29 5:00 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Secretary
30 Gasco Bentley to adjourn.

31 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

32 Motion carried.

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37 These Minutes have been read and approved as written (or) corrected: (delete
38 either the word "written" or "corrected" as pertains to how the minutes were
39 approved.)

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44 Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date